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Gilbert and Hager announce grants creating new jobs

LANSING – The Michigan Economic Development Corporation has issued grants to Yale and Port Huron Township that will help create new jobs and spur investment, Sen. Jud Gilbert and Rep. Lauren Hager announced today.

Yale is receiving \$117,500 in Community Development Block Grant funding to make the necessary water, sewer and roadway improvements for construction of a new manufacturing plant for Dexter Roll Form Co. This will lead to the creation of 12 new jobs and spur \$235,000 in private investment.

Port Huron Charter Township is receiving \$150,000 in CDBG funding to help facilitate the expansion of cutting tool manufacturer Mapal Aaro Inc. This will lead to the creation of 35 new jobs and spur \$1.5 million in private investment.

“These grants are great news for our local communities,” said Gilbert, R-Algonac. “We are pleased to see new jobs and new activities in the local economy.”

Based in Warren, Dexter Roll Form manufactures roll form tools primarily for the auto industry. The company plans to construct a new facility and purchase new equipment.

Mapal Aaro specializes in the manufacture of high-precision cutting tools used in many automotive applications. The company plans to construct a public parking lot and provide training resources as part of the expansion project.

“This is great news for Port Huron Township and Yale,” said Hager, R-Port Huron Township. “Anything we can do to provide good-paying manufacturing jobs is great for working families and the area’s economy.”

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